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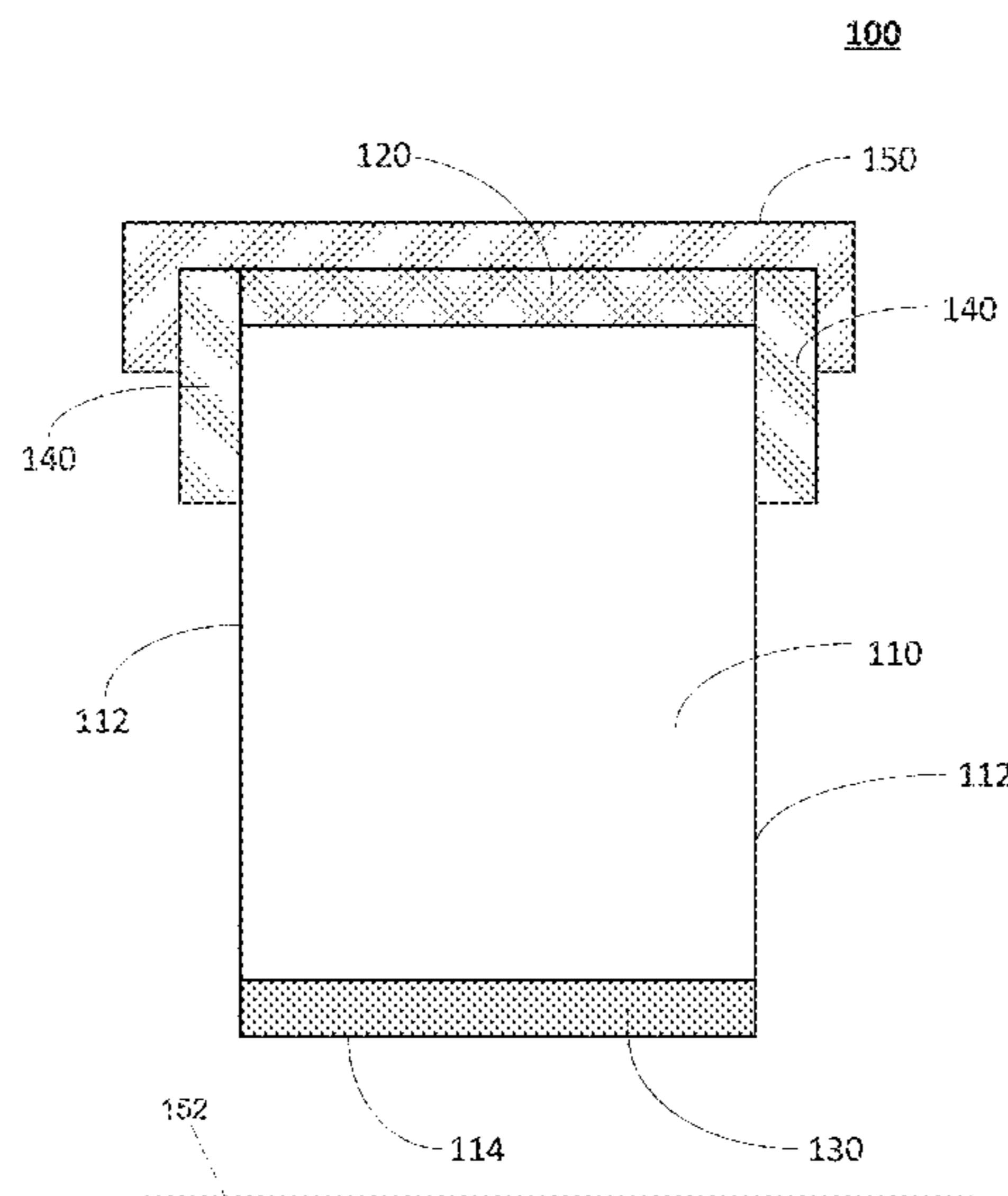
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ABSTRACT

An kinetic object protection system for protecting a space in a building or vehicle comprising a protective barrier including one or more sheets of a laminated material having a plurality of layers of lightweight, flexible, ballistic resistant material such as woven sheets, nets, or mesh which are secured together using a glue, heat weld, or stitching. The system may include an automated control system operably configured to cause a change in state of the barrier from a retracted state to a protective deployed state, which may include a sensing system operably configured to detect a threatening event, wherein the sensing system upon sensing the threatening event triggers the barrier to transition from the retracted state to the deployed protective state such that in the protective state, the barriers are adapted to be resistant to penetration by the kinetic objects such as vehicles.

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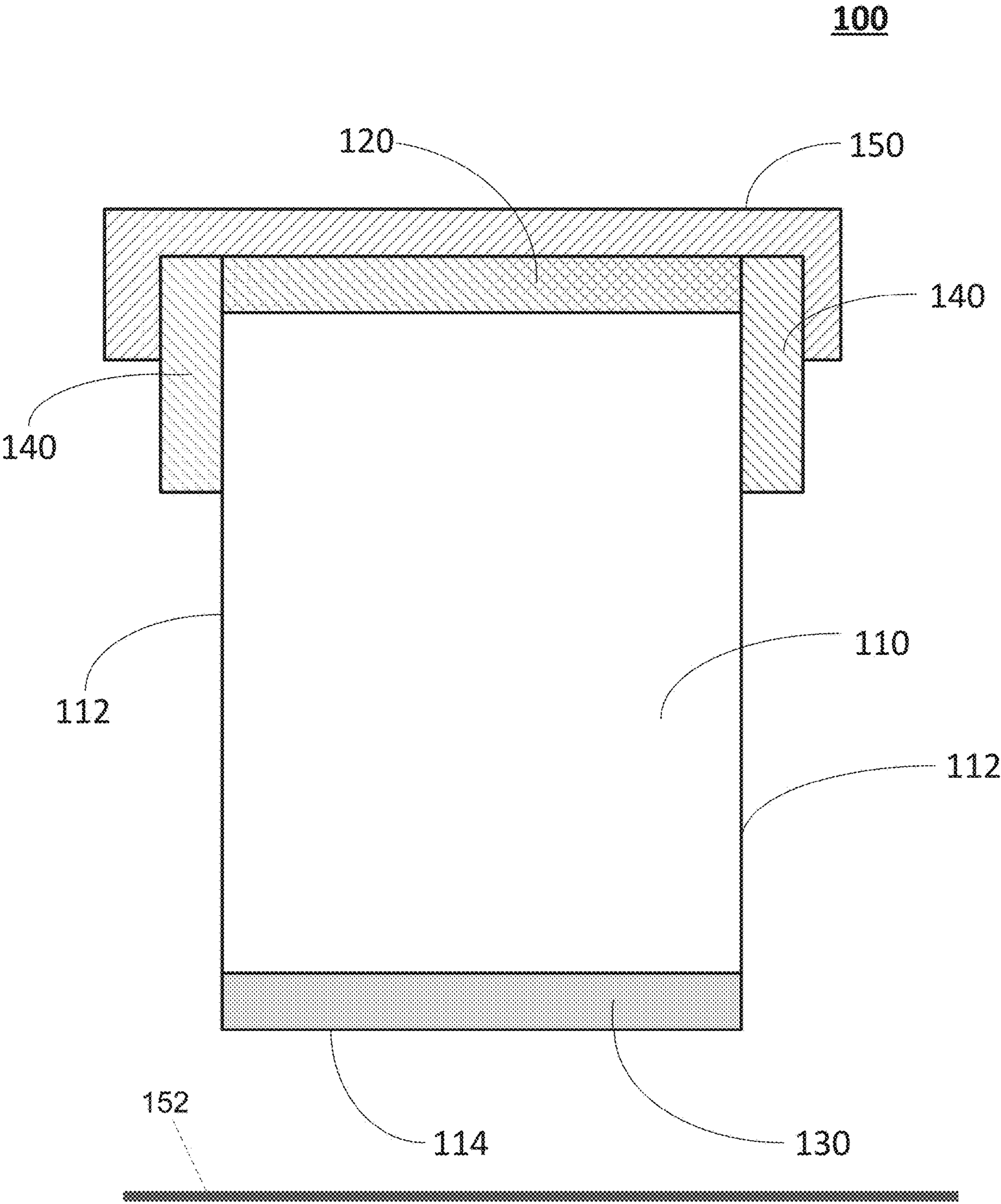


FIG. 1

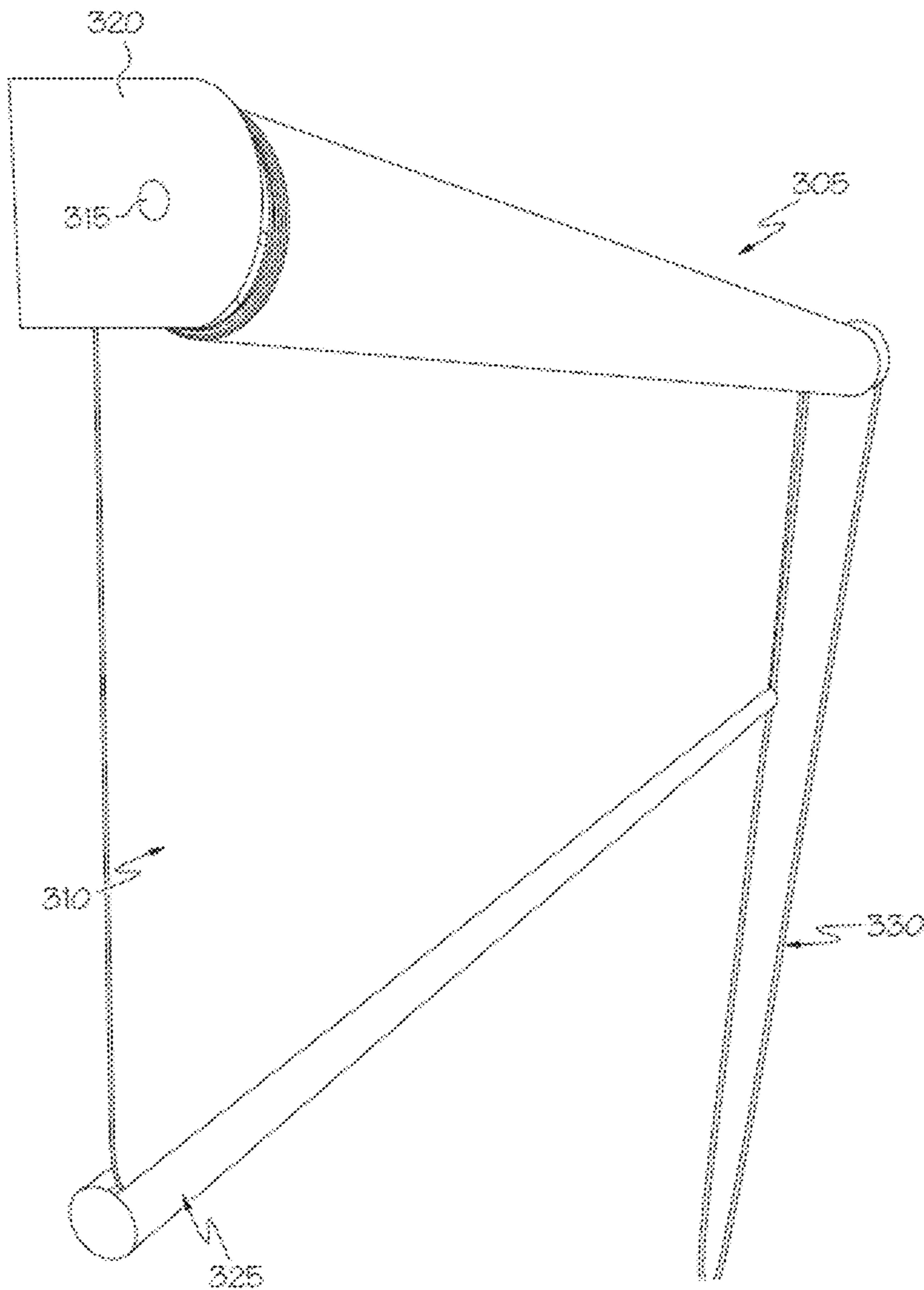


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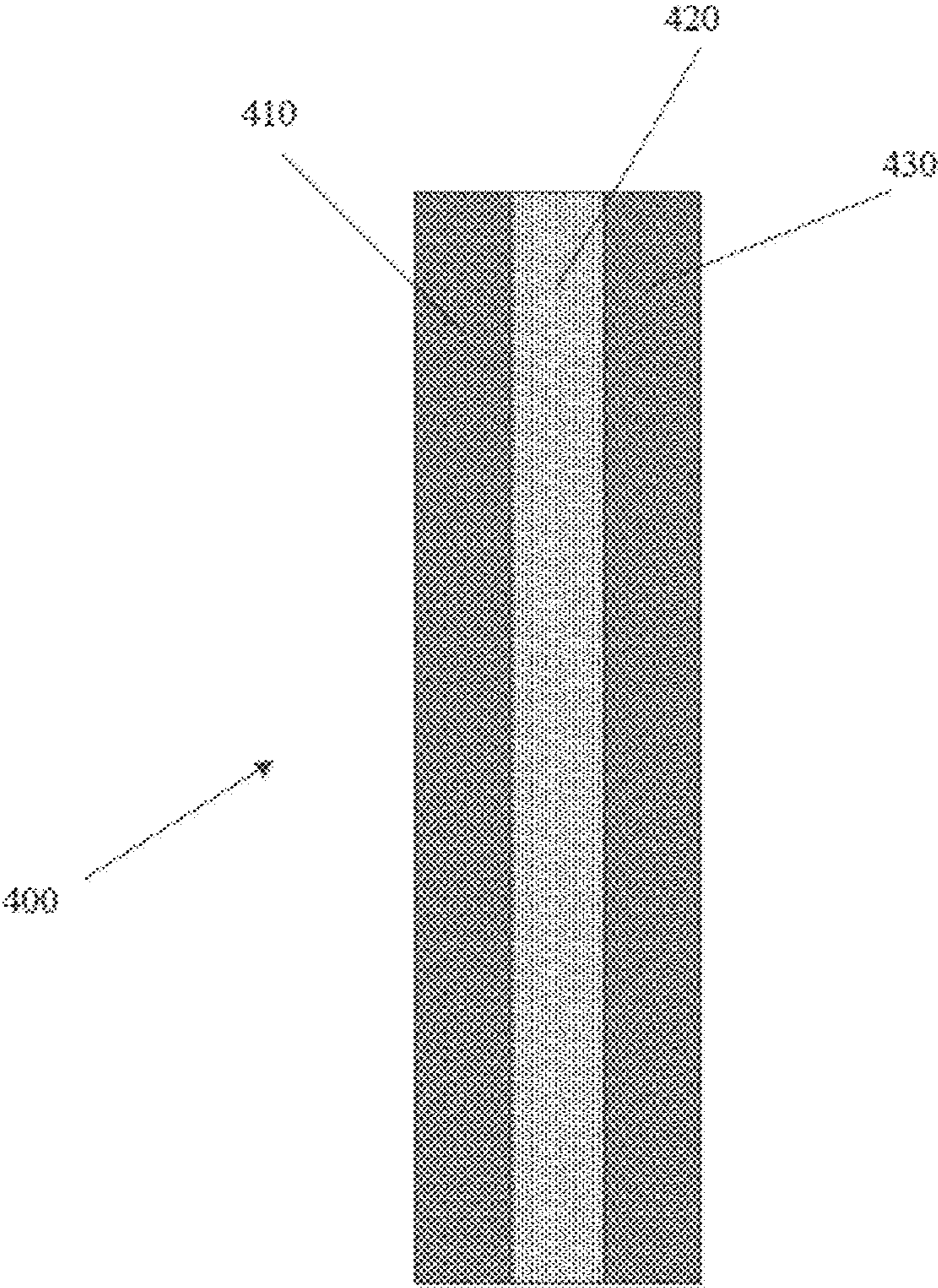


FIG. 3A

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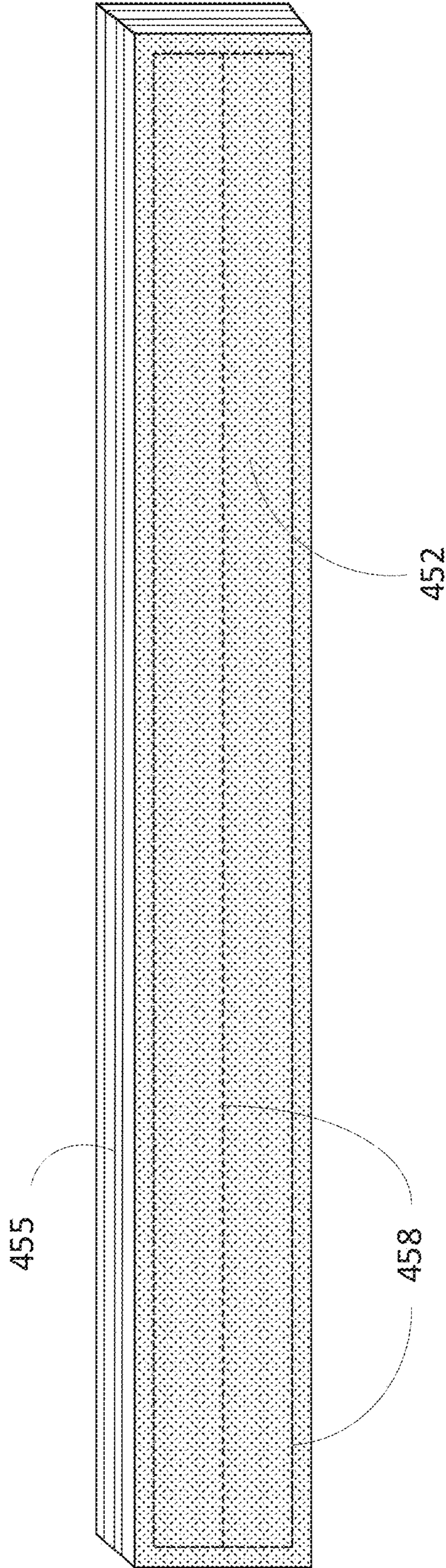


FIG. 3B

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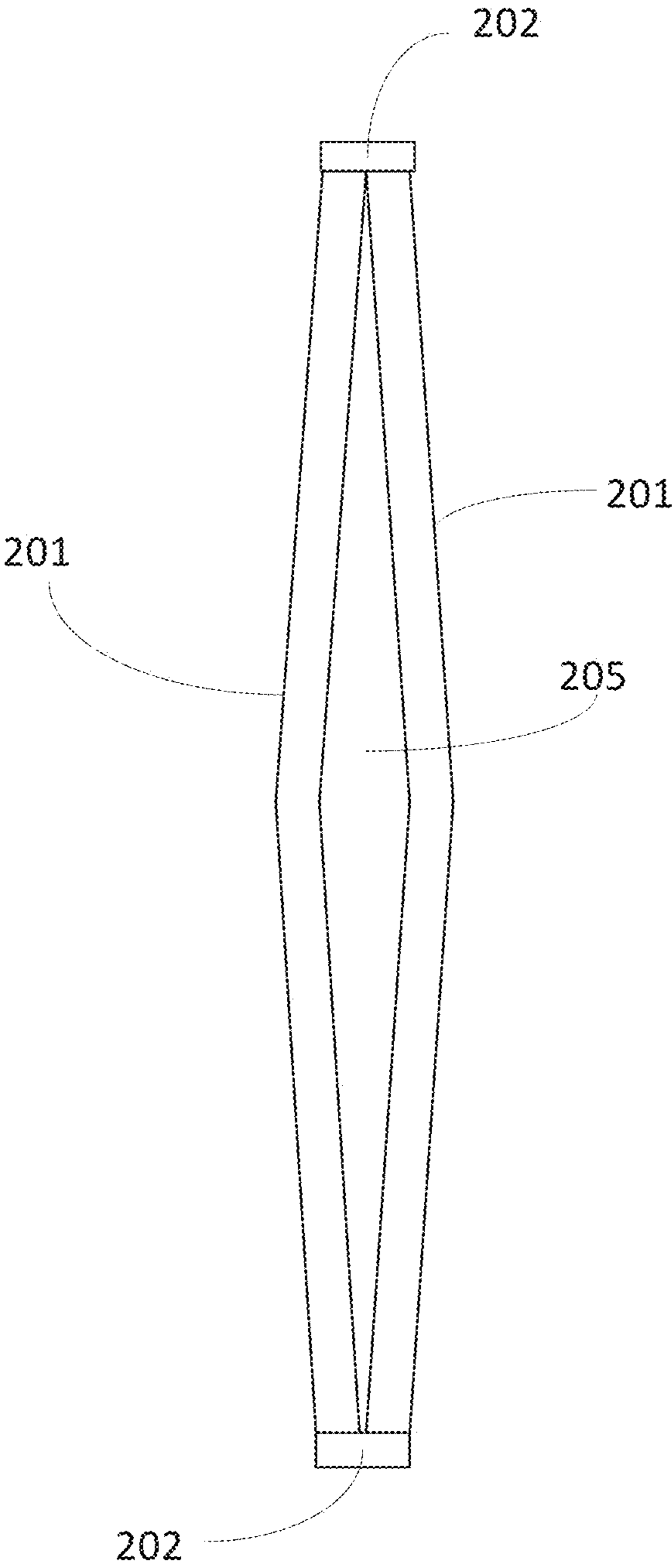


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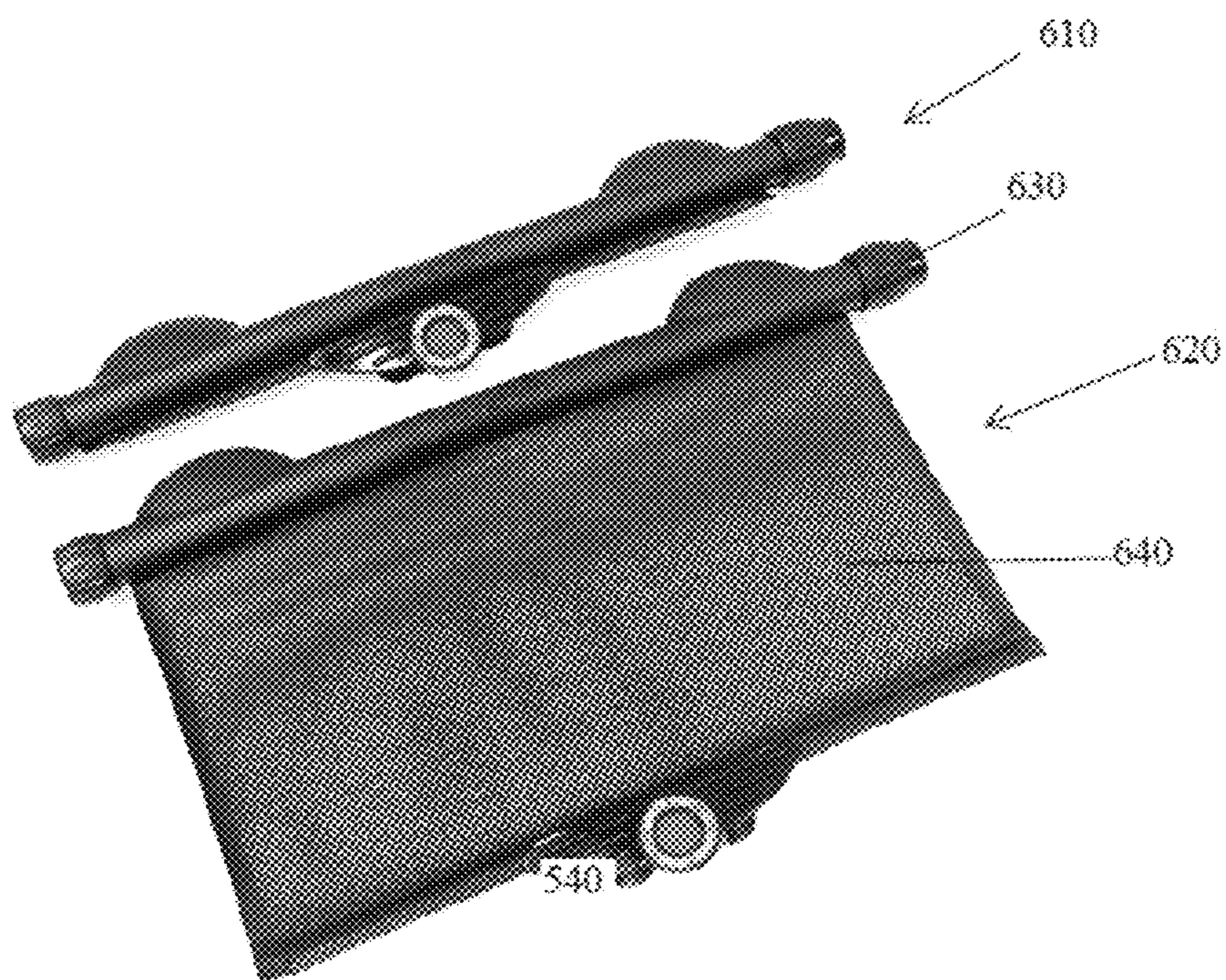


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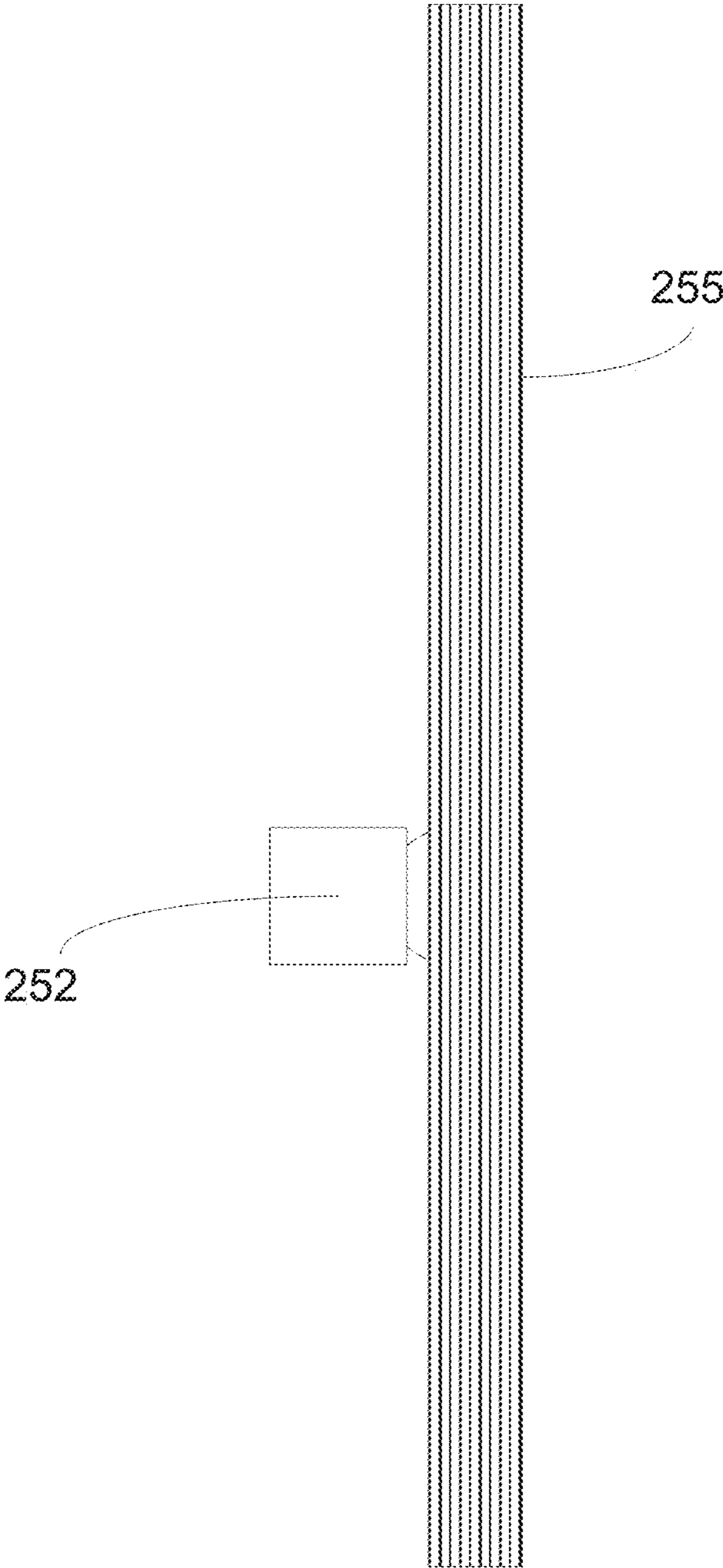


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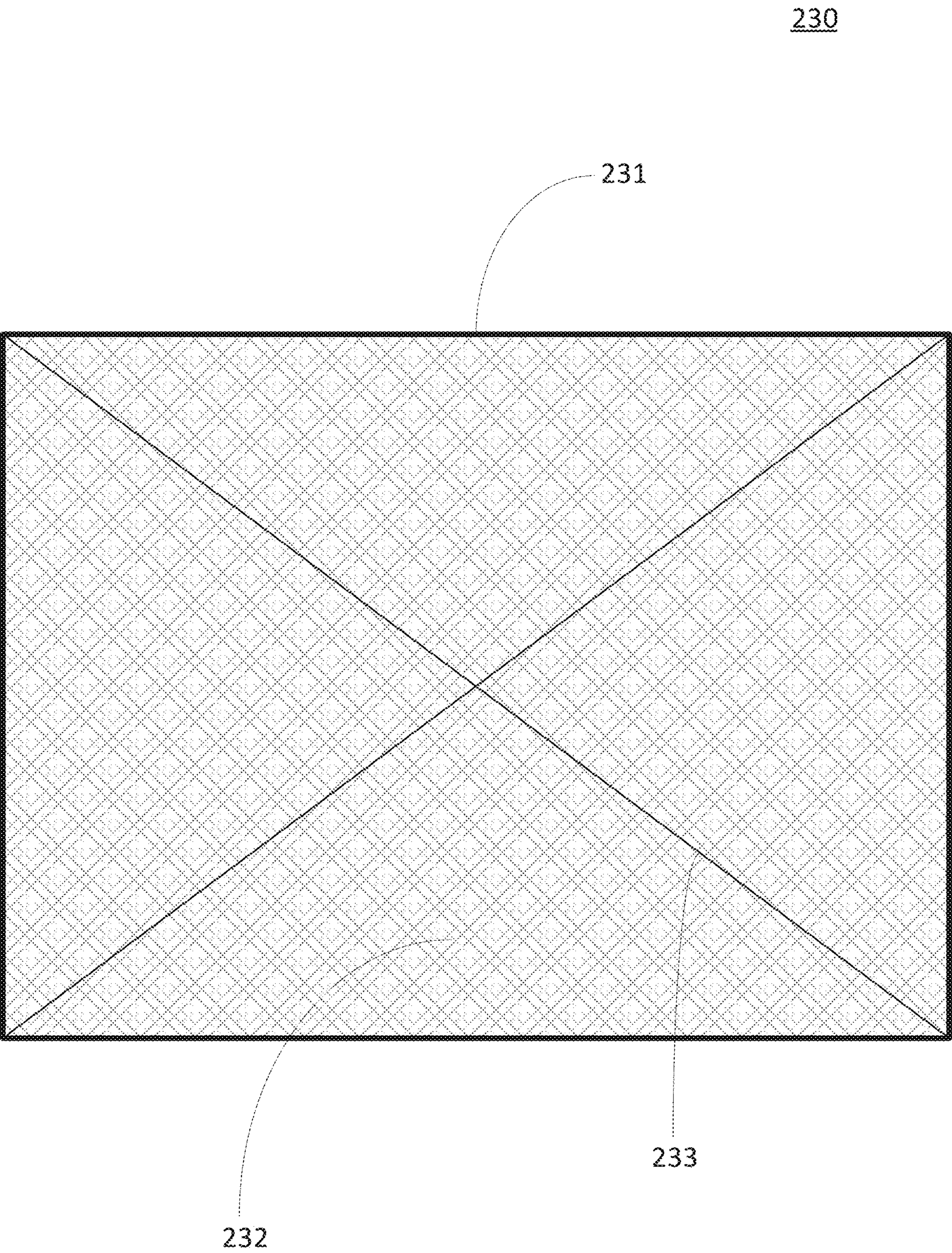


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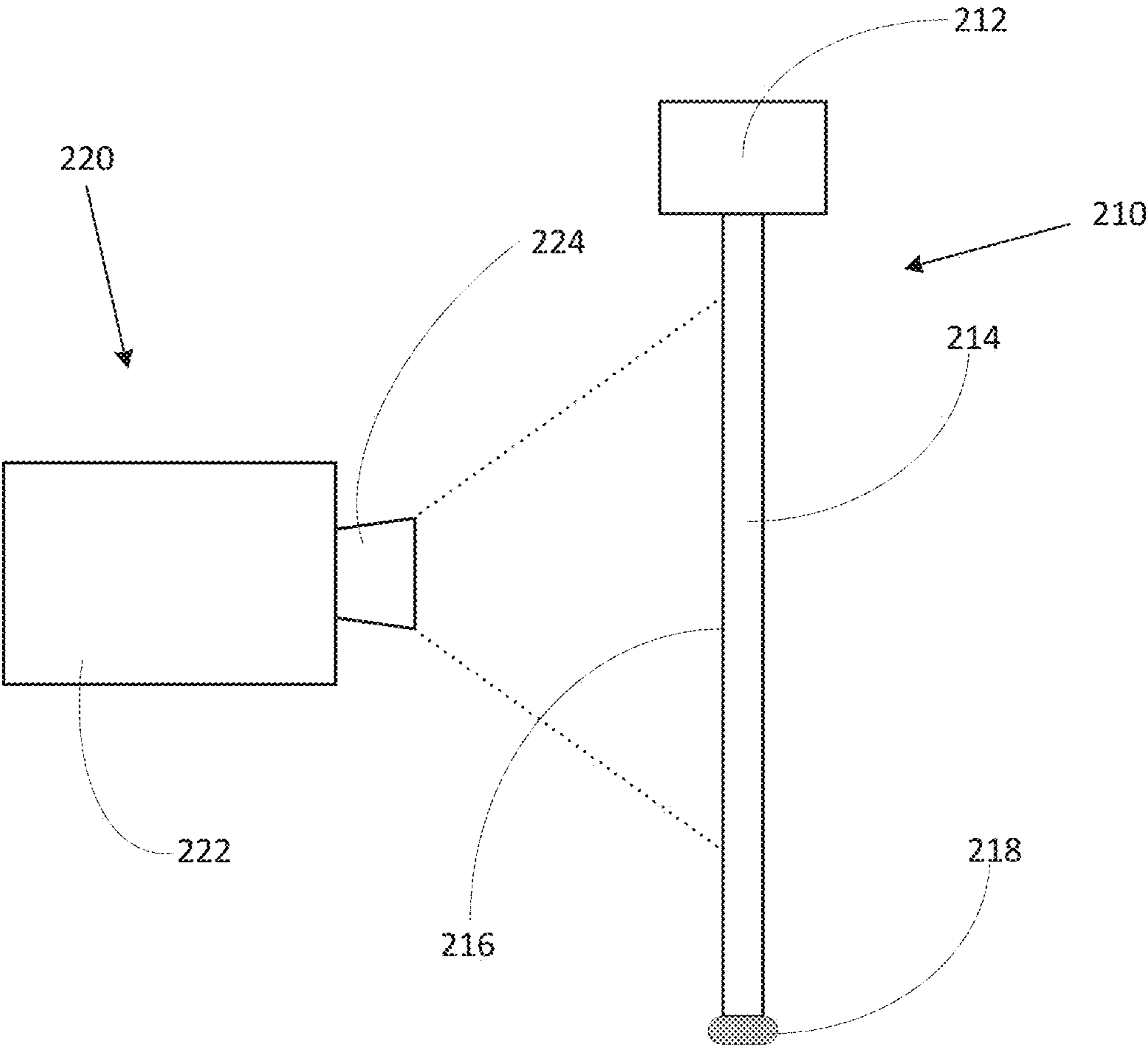


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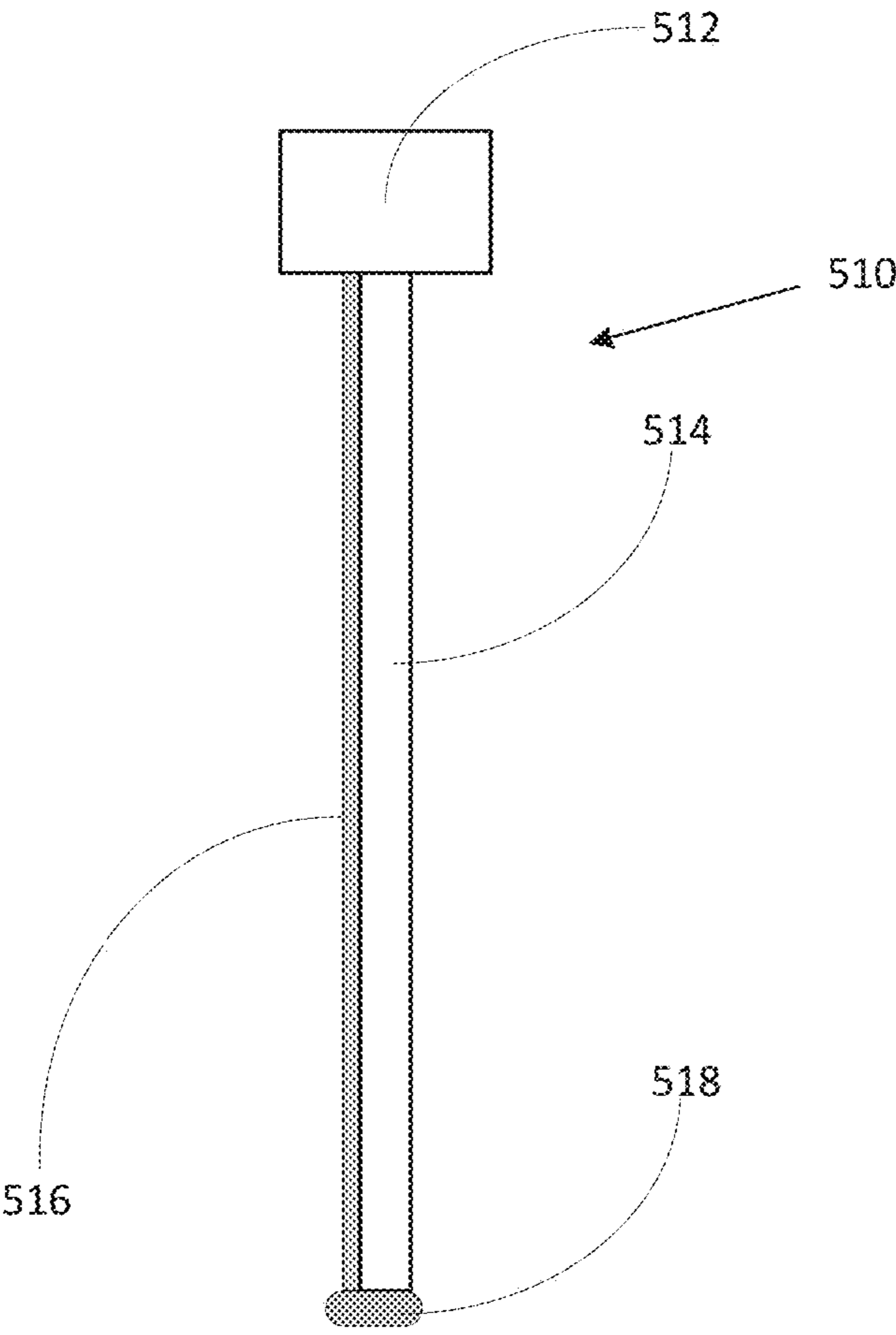


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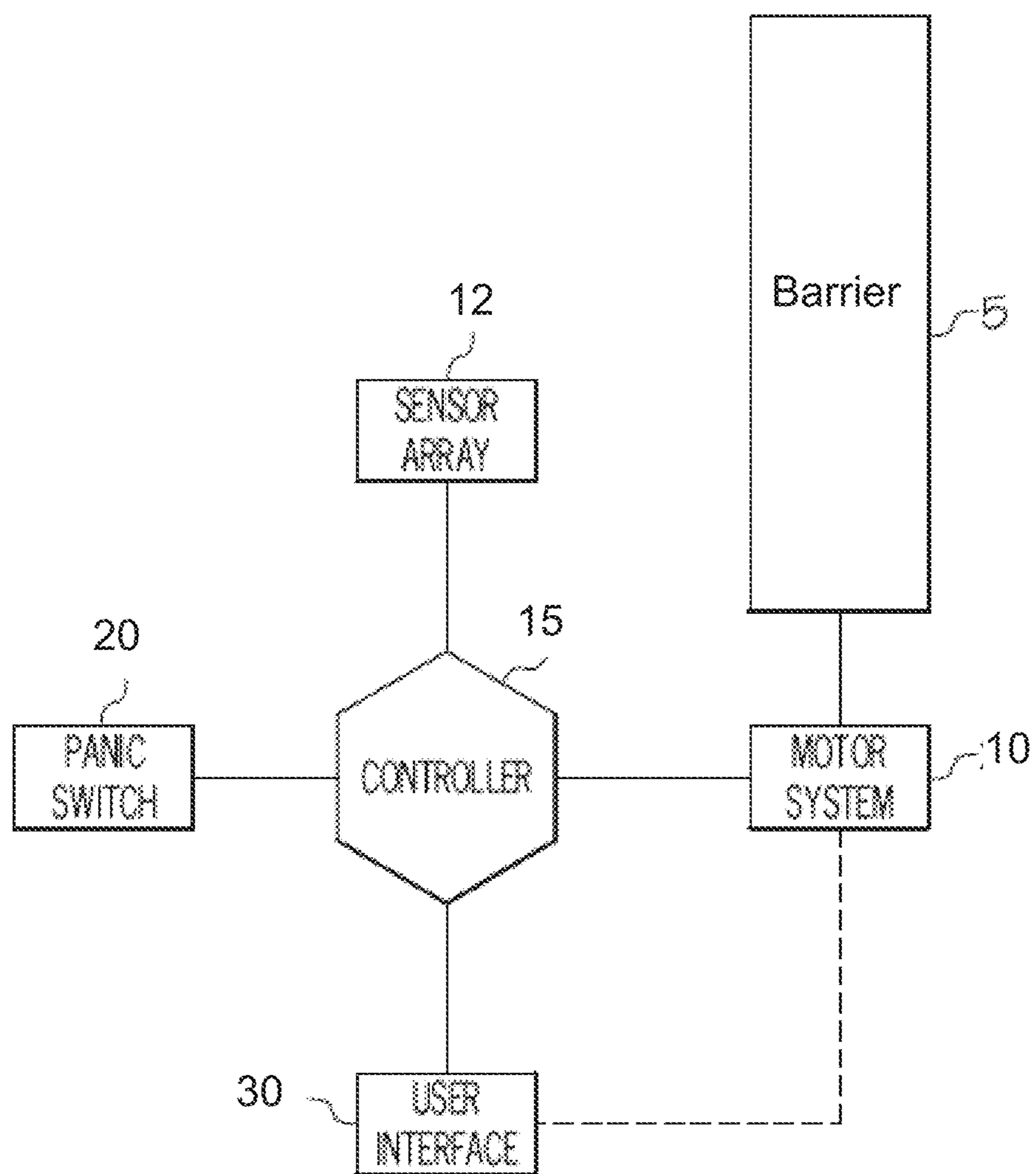


FIG. 9

ANTI-BALLISTIC BARRIERS**CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/892,899 filed on Aug. 28, 2019; U.S. Provisional Application 62/911,323 filed on Oct. 6, 2019; U.S. Provisional Application 62/895,734 filed on Sep. 4, 2019; U.S. Provisional Application 62/929,467, filed Nov. 1, 2019; and U.S. Provisional Application 63/017,563, filed on Apr. 29, 2020; all incorporated herein by reference.

This application incorporates all of the material disclosed in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 16/215,162, and its parent applications U.S. patent application Ser. No. 15/050,639 filed on Feb. 23, 2016 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 14/476,206 filed on Sep. 3, 2014, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/873,073, filed on Sep. 3, 2013, and also claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 62/119,510 filed on Feb. 23, 2015, all of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

BACKGROUND

This application relates generally to anti-ballistic barriers and anti-vehicle and anti-personnel barriers that can be provided in buildings, vehicles, and other items and locations to add anti-ballistic properties to those items and locations in order to protect a space from a kinetic object that may be of substantial mass.

Conventional approaches for protection against moving objects having substantial kinetic energy, such as vehicles, running personnel, rockets, bullets and/or shrapnel, involve the use of heavy, rigid materials that are fixed in place and provide a barrier based on their rigidity, heft, and strength. However, such items often transmit the energy of the projectiles through the material into the item or location being protected, or because the energy is not properly dissipated, the projectile may still have sufficient energy to penetrate the barrier in a dangerous manner, or because of the heavy weight the barrier cannot be quickly deployed.

Needed is a way to better absorb the kinetic energy of the undesired object to avoid penetration or other transmission of the energy to the item or person or space being protected.

Also needed is a way to re-enforce the strength of doors and other barriers against vehicle or other personnel using lightweight but strong materials.

SUMMARY

Provided are a plurality of example embodiments, including, but not limited to, a barrier that is free to flex and move when struck by a kinetic object, said barrier for protecting an interior of a building, vehicle, or an individual.

Further provided is a system for protecting a space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects of substantial mass using a deployable barrier, comprising: a mounting structure configured for storing the deployable barrier in a retracted position; the deployable barrier comprising a plurality of sheets of flexible anti-ballistic material formed into a laminate; a structure for securing the sides and/or bottom of the deployable barrier to secure said deployable barrier in a deployed position; and a deployment mechanism configured to drop the deployable barrier into the deployed position such that the barrier protects the space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects having substantial kinetic energy.

Also provided is a system for protecting a space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects of substantial mass using a deployable barrier, comprising: a mounting structure configured for storing the deployable barrier in a retracted position; the deployable barrier comprising a plurality of sheets of flexible anti-ballistic material formed into a laminate, wherein said barrier is configured to flex and move in response to impact from the kinetic object to absorb energy from the kinetic object to further protect said space from access by the ballistic object; a structure for securing the sides and/or bottom of the deployable barrier to secure said deployable barrier in a deployed position; and a deployment mechanism configured to drop the deployable barrier into the deployed position such that the barrier protects the space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects having substantial kinetic energy.

Still further provided is a system for protecting a space from entry by moving vehicles using a deployable barrier, comprising: a mounting structure configured for storing the deployable barrier in a retracted position; the deployable barrier comprising a plurality of sheets of flexible anti-ballistic material formed into a laminate, wherein said barrier is configured to flex and move in response to impact from the moving vehicle to absorb energy from the kinetic object to further protect said space from access by the ballistic object; a structure for securing the sides and/or bottom of the deployable barrier to secure said deployable barrier in a deployed position; and a deployment mechanism configured to drop the deployable barrier into the deployed position such that the barrier protects the space from entry by moving vehicle.

Also provided are additional example embodiments, some, but not all of which, are described hereinbelow in more detail.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The features and advantages of the example embodiments described herein will become apparent to those skilled in the art to which this disclosure relates upon reading the following description, with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which:

FIG. 1 illustrates an example of a generic barrier.

FIG. 2 illustrates another example of a generic barrier.

FIG. 3A illustrates an example laminated structure for a barrier that provide both decorative and anti-ballistic features;

FIG. 3B illustrates another example laminated structure for barriers that provide a plurality of layers stitched together;

FIG. 3C illustrates another example laminated structure for barriers that provide a plurality of layers having a hollow interior;

FIG. 4 illustrates an example embodiment of a vehicle shade system for a vehicle;

FIG. 5 illustrates an example embodiment of a barrier system including a speaker/vibrator;

FIG. 6 illustrates an example embodiment of a barrier system reinforcing a door or other barrier;

FIG. 7 illustrates an example embodiment of a barrier system including a projector; and

FIG. 8 illustrates an example embodiment of a deployable barrier system;

FIG. 9 illustrates an example control system for the barrier system;

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EXAMPLE EMBODIMENTS

There are various proposals for improving ballistic protection of individuals and interior spaces in buildings and vehicles as discussed in the related patent applications listed at the beginning of this application. The inventor has discovered that a problem with many current solutions to these problems is that the protection devices don't absorb much of the energy that is contained in the ballistic projectiles, such as shrapnel or bullets that have been fired, or objects of relatively large kinetic energy, such as vehicles, rockets, missiles, or running personnel. The inventor has determined that one solution to this problem is to allow the protective device, such as a screen, panel, shroud, blind, or other barrier to hang freely, perhaps in a weighted manner, which allows the barrier to flex, vibrate, flow, sway and otherwise move in response to receiving the projectile, thereby dissipating some of the energy from the projectile that otherwise would remain as kinetic energy. This reduces the amount of damage and potential penetration of the projective with respect to a given amount of projection. Alternatively, the barrier may be secured on a portion of its periphery, such as along sides or a bottom (to avoid pushing aside the barrier), while allowing the main body of the barrier to flex to absorb kinetic energy.

As shown in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 16/215,162 and its related parents, all incorporated herein by reference, various deployable barriers using non-metallic anti-ballistic materials can be formed for use as barriers, such as window blinds and similar barriers that might be provided at various locations in buildings. Use in windows, doorways, hallways, and other interior locations as a deployable barrier that is stowed when not needed provides a way to protect various interior spaces within buildings. Furthermore, barriers can be provided within vehicles in either deployable or fixed manners (or both). Deployable barriers might be used to protect vehicle windows, doorways, hatches, and other access points, whereas permanently deployed barriers could be provided within vehicle voids such as in doors, body panels, and other locations.

Of particular interest are barriers that are lightweight and flexible in nature but that can absorb a substantial amount of kinetic energy from moving objects of substantial mass.

In some embodiments, the barriers may hang freely, not being fixed on their sides and bottoms, but that may include weights to increase their overall mass. Such barriers are free to flex and move in response to receiving a ballistic projectile, thereby converting at least a portion of the kinetic energy of the projectile into kinetic and heat energy in the barrier distributed across the entire surface area of the barrier. Allowing this free motion actually increases the effectiveness of the barrier by reducing the penetration energy of the projectile, thereby effectively improving the ability of the barrier to protect the desired person and/or interior region.

Of additional interest for at least some other embodiments are barriers that are still designed to flex and move in interior portions, but that are fixed on their sides and/or bottoms (i.e., fixed around a perimeter or portion thereof) in order to add additional stability and strength, such as to prevent a person or large object from entering a protected region. Such barriers are still free to flex and move in response to receiving a ballistic projectile in at least portion of their surface area, thereby converting at least a portion of the kinetic energy of the projectile into kinetic and heat energy in the barrier distributed across the entire surface area of the

barrier. However, along with a fixed top, the fixed sides and/or bottom prevent individuals or objects from bypassing or pushing aside the barrier to get into the protected region. Hence, only the perimeter, or a portion of the perimeter, is fixed and secured, whereas an interior portion of the barrier is free to flex, vibrate, and otherwise kinetically absorb the energy of a ballistic projectile impinging on the barrier.

Finally, of interest are also barriers that are stiff and durable, but that are lightweight by using the lightweight, but strong and durable anti-ballistic materials disclosed herein. Doors, shutters, and other types of barriers can be provided using such materials that provide both anti-ballistic protection, and that can protect spaces from undesirable entry by persons, vehicles, and other objects that might attempt access into the protected spaces. In particular, a barrier that can stop a speeding vehicle or strongly thrown or launched object having substantial kinetic energy is desired.

Furthermore, fiber cables or ropes or twines could be formed using threads or fibers made of any of the disclosed lightweight antiballistic materials, which can be used for strength re-enforcement purposes while maintaining light weights. Such ropes/cables could be used to strengthen any blinds, shutters, doors, or other barriers against penetration from larger objects such as vehicles, people, tools, etc. These materials could also be formed into mesh sheets or nets that could act similarly. In this way, blinds, shutters, doors, or other barriers can be re-enforced in order to strengthen them against larger, slower moving objects, in addition to anti-ballistic protection.

FIG. 1 shows a schematic of a basic general barrier design **100** that can be used for many of these various barriers. The primary protective part is a barrier layer **110** which in many of the example embodiments will be comprised of a laminate of a plurality of layers of flexible antiballistic material. FIG. 2 shows an example of such a laminate **400** that can be used, with an inner layer **420** that is also likely to be a laminate, and with optional outer layers **410** and **430** providing protection and/or decorative layers.

The inner layer **420** can be comprised of a plurality of layers of anti-ballistic material that might include layers including one or more of: plastic, composites, wood, metal, fabric, fiberglass or any other suitable anti-ballistic material including, but not limited to, Kevlar® (which is a synthetic fiber of high tensile strength comprised of poly-para-phenylene terephthalamide) or Lexan® (which is a transparent polycarbonate of high impact strength) or Lucite® (which is a solid transparent plastic comprised of polymethyl methacrylate) or DuPont™ Tensylon® (which is an ultrahigh molecular weight polyethylene anti-ballistic material), or a boron treated cloth, or a plexiglass with anti-ballistic properties, for example, or any combination thereof. Any type of Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene could be used. Anti-ballistic gel materials such as shear thickening fluids that may be transparent can be used to saturate a material or fill voids (some of these materials harden upon impact and might be comprised of non-Newtonian fluids that thicken in response to force). Other materials or combinations described elsewhere in this document can also be used as an alternative or supplement these materials.

Such barriers can have a variety of purposes. For example, these barriers are designed to:

- Slow down bullets;
- Stop speeding cars;
- Stop explosive Blast;
- Stop Fire, Firewall;
- Stop a rocket, missile, or other launched or thrown object;

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Prevent Eavesdropping (possibly by vibration);
 Block light;
 Provide sound;
 Noise cancelling, Active noise cancellation; and
 Surface lights could change colors, or strobe to disorient;
 Also, the barriers can be comprised of various materials:
 Fabric, i.e. kevlar, dynema, coated fibers, gels to fill layers
 for strength, can be used to keep barriers in place etc.;
 Ceramic/veneer;
 Gel to dissipate heat or stop bullet;
 Any hollow cavity can be filled with foam for strength;
 Various placements of hinges for support and movement;
 Modular Sections, acoustic panels, electrostatic speakers,
 flat speakers; and
 Shutter with metal, wood, veneer to make attractive and
 act as strike face (slat can also have thin metal edge for
 looks);

The barriers can also be provided of various sizes and
 configurations, such as vertical or horizontal; movable on
 their axis and turn/spin to displace energy efficiently; and
 panel sizes can vary on application, e.g., specifically for
 rolling panels.

The barriers can be placed in various locations, including:
 doorways; windows; hallways, vehicles; personal resi-
 dences; schools/large buildings in need of security; garage
 doorways; alleyways; loading docks; shipping containers,
 and any location that needs protection against ballistic
 projectiles or blast shrapnel along with vehicle or personnel
 barriers.

All of the layers provided in the laminate **400** (that may
 be used as the barrier layer **100** of FIG. 1) can be secured
 together using any combination of a number of securing
 approaches, including the use of glue, heat bonding, stitch-
 ing, quilting, or other means, or any combination thereof, to
 secure the various layers of the laminate together. Hence, the
 laminate can be manufactured using stitch bonder or quilting
 machines, leading to a multi-layered laminate having a
 plurality of flexible layers and leading to a flexible laminate.
 Note that each layer might be comprised of thin, solid sheets
 of any of anti-ballistic material or the material could be
 woven into a durable and tough and flexible fabric using
 threads and/or fibers of the material.

An aspect of the first surface that the bullet hits can be
 designed to act like a strike face, to slowdown and deform/
 mushroom the bullet before it hits the inside layers which
 then stop the projectile. For example, the outside layer can
 be anodized, coated, plated or treated/coated to provide the
 first task of slowing and deforming the bullet before it hits
 the layers that do the heavy lifting.

The outside strike face can have ridges or protrusions to
 roll the bullet. There could also be a ceramic veneer or layer
 to act as the strike face. The strike face layer can also be a
 combination of different technologies such as coating a
 ceramic veneer, such as to keep the weight down.

The whole barrier assembly can be spring loaded or
 partial break away to dissipate energy, or to move in an X,
 Y or Z direction. The strike faces could slide in pockets of
 the barrier. The hinges can be metal or composite based.

A security film can be applied to the strike face to slow
 down and mushroom the projectile such as a bullet. The
 material would not be flammable like glass and other
 methods currently used, would be safer for schools etc. On
 lightweight metal barriers or blinds (having metal slats) a
 coating or layer/foam, or lightweight material slides in to the
 extrusion or stamping.

The barrier shape can be used to change the roll of the
 bullet, various angles to get bullet on its side, for example.

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The point of the first, outer layer (other than surface deco-
 rative layer(s)) is to act as a strike face and slow down and
 mushroom flatten out the bullet/projectile. When glass is in
 front of the barrier, a security film can be applied to a surface
 of the glass that acts as a strike face to slow down the bullet.

On light weight metal barriers (e.g., shutters or blinds that
 might use slats) a coating or layer of lightweight material
 such as Tensylon that fastens or slides into the extrusion or
 stamping. The barriers could also be a clear lexan that
 darkens with sunlight. The barriers or shutters could also be
 a laminated/sage glass that darkens automatically or when
 electricity is applied.

Barriers can also be a shutter made of tensylon that has a
 metal, ceramic or wood veneer surface, to make that barriers
 more presentable but also act as a strike face. The slats or
 edges can also have a metal edge to improve the appearance.
 Lightweight materials light dyneema can act as a ladder or
 to keep the barriers aligned. A metal shutter can be a
 extrusion or stamping that the cavity is filled with a com-
 bination of materials foam, coating, kevlar polyurethane, or
 anti-ballistic gel, depending on the function of providing
 strength, sound dampening, strike face, decorative, etc. The
 fabric laminate may also be coated with various substances
 to help provide decorative features, or to stiffen outer layers
 to deform bullets, or to provide sound deadening, or other-
 wise provide other desirable features.

The barriers can be provided in modular sections that can
 deploy horizontally or vertically. The device can deploy
 from the top bottom or side. Sections can be provided in
 fabric or hinged, daisy chained, or wired together. Speakers
 and/or lights can be provided in various sizes.

The sections can be electrostatic or the equivalent of a thin
 speaker to block light sound bullet etc. (as described in more
 detail below). The barriers can provide light or emitted
 sound. Barriers, such as blinds or shutters can use speakers
 for security, and can block light and provide sound. Speakers
 can be provided to vibrate the barriers do active noise
 cancellation.

Barriers can be designed in a way to dissipate the energy
 from the shot through motion, destruction, heat dissipation,
 deformation, or other processes. They may sacrifice them-
 selves much like a formula one car sacrifices itself to save
 the driver.

A cavity or pockets of the barriers (e.g., blinds or shutters)
 can be provided to house different modules according to the
 needs desired or a combination of elements. Slats could
 rotate on there axis to displace energy or change side
 according to purpose.

The barriers can be comprised of various layers of fabric
 material. The material layers may be secured to each other
 by stitching, quilting, gluing, welding, or merely the edges
 may be bound and perhaps tacked in a few spots leaving
 inner layers unsecured to each other, allowing motion or
 pockets for other uses, such as inserting materials or gels.
 Perhaps not stitch bonding or perhaps a very open quilt
 pattern.

A logo can be provided, such as using 1 inch or ¾ inch
 binding, or by sewing in a logo. As many as 18 plies or more
 of woven Kevlar fabric or other material can be used in the
 laminated material. Fabric style can be 600d Kevlar KM2
 Plus, 24×24 square yarns per inch, plain weave construction,
 Polyester stitching yarn, 75 denier textured yarn. Stitch
 pattern can be: linear chain stitch (machine direction), 3.5
 gage spacing. Quilting can be used to secure the layers to
 each other. Layers secured only at the ends can also be
 utilized. It is noted that the very looseness, flexibility, and
 motion of the material aids in energy absorption, providing

better ballistic protection and penetration avoidance. Level IIIA or better anti-ballistic protection can be achieved.

Referring back to FIG. 1, the barrier layer 110 will be fixed at one or more ends using either or both top mounting structure 120 and side mounting structures 140 to securely connect to the structure 150 of the building or vehicle. These structures will securely fix one end of the barrier layer 110 to a secure structure, such as a window or door frame, a ceiling, or vehicle panel or frame. Note that where the barrier is of a deployable embodiment, the top mounting structure 120 may include features that retract and/or store the barrier layer 110, such as disclosed in a number of the parent applications in embodiments such as deployable window blinds.

In this generic approach, as discussed above, the barrier layer 110 will be a flexible layer that can move, vibrate, swing, and otherwise convert the kinetic energy of the ballistic projectile into kinetic and/or heat energy in the barrier 100 by nature of having barrier sides 112 and a barrier bottom 114 that are not secured to any structure in this free hanging embodiment. A weighted end 130 can be provided on the barrier layer 110 to add mass to the barrier so that the kinetic energy of the projective is also transferred to this mass as kinetic energy by moving the mass of the end 130, which can include lifting the end, swinging the end, and other types of motion. The end 130 also helps keep the barrier 100 in place by providing stability and in a deployable embodiment, may also help deploy the barrier 100 in emergency situations, as is also discussed in the parent applications.

Note that automatic deployment, based on the detection of a dangerous situation such as an explosion or gunshot (e.g., triggered by sound waves, breaking glass, light flash, or even detection of intruders, for example) can be provided as discussed in the parent applications. Manual deployment through activation of a motor or drop function through use of a switch, lever, or other manual activator can also be provided as an alternative or supplemental means of deployment. The weight 130, when provided, can aid in quick deployment and stability. Such barriers can be provided in windows, doorways, hallways, or even across rooms, for example.

Alternative approaches where the barrier is installed in a rising manner could also be provided. For example, posts may rise out of the ground or floor for deploying the barrier from the ground up, with the top portions free to move, or with sufficient flex in the barrier to allow freedom of motion. Such devices can protect hallways, stages, rooms, doorways, garage doors, or other locations in and out of buildings.

As an alternative, the side mounting structures 140 may be extended further, even along the entire length of the barrier sides 112, to secure the sides. Such structures may be mechanical rails or magnets that secure the deployed barrier on its sides. Grooves in a door frame or other structures could be used to secure the sides. Alternatively, linking edge structures can be provided that interlink when extended to add stiffness and structure to the sides of the barrier.

Furthermore, an optional floor structure 152 can be provided at a bottom of the barrier 100, such as on or beneath a floor, to secure the barrier bottom 114 when deployed. For example, bottom 114 may include a magnet along its length as part of the weight 130, and the floor structure 152 could include a magnet of an opposite pole (which may be an electromagnet), to secure the bottom 114 to the floor. Alternatively, floor structure 152 might include a latch or gripping device that secures the bottom 114 to the floor. Hence, in conjunction, extended side mounting structures 140 and/or

the floor structure 152 secures the barrier 100, when deployed, to prevent individuals or objects from passing beyond the barrier 100 into a protected region.

Note that automatic deployment, based on the detection of a dangerous situation such as an explosion or gunshot (e.g., triggered by sound waves, breaking glass, light flash, or even detection of intruders, for example), or a shouted command, or speeding vehicle can be provided. Manual deployment through activation of a motor or drop function through use of a switch, lever, or other manual activator can also be provided as an alternative or supplemental means of deployment. The weight 130, when provided, can aid in quick deployment. Such barriers can be provided in windows, doorways, hallways, or even across rooms, for example.

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FIG. 2 shows a particular embodiment of the generic approach of FIG. 1 by providing a barrier 305 with support and stowing structures 320, 315 for deploying the barrier layer 310 with weight 325 in a window or door frame.

Note that barriers that are constructed of ceramic or composite ballistic material can be much lighter and cheaper to build than barriers that use metallic materials, such as steel, for example, and they could prove flexible and more deployable and retractable.

Barriers using fabric and/or panels held together by fabric can be utilized. Also having barriers in a horizontal or vertical position. Closing and opening from all possible sides can be provided, e.g., from the top or bottom or left or right. Also, a combination of these approaches can be used. Barriers could close from both sides. Or close from the top and bottom where each barriers half covers half of a particular window.

Roll down fabric barriers using ballistic materials that come down from the top, such as that can be quickly deployed can prove useful. Also panels that fold down from the top can be utilized.

Ballistic resistant panels can be provided with the ballistic material provided on back of an ornamental design (e.g., wooden slats), or between ornamental designs, so that the barriers provide traditional ornamental aesthetics. The ballistic materials may be woven into a layered cloth that can be attached, glued, or otherwise combined with the ornamental panels to achieve the desired effect. A string or rope made of the ballistic material can be used to replace the string/rope that may be utilized in existing applications.

For example, FIG. 3A shows a side view of a laminated slat 400 having ballistic layer 420 sandwiched between decorative or structural layers 410 and 430. As an example, layers 410, 430 could be a single layer of fabric surrounding a ballistic panel as layer 420. Or ballistic layer 420 might comprise a ballistic fabric, making the entire slat of layers of fabric and/or sheets of material. Hence, part of the barrier, such as louvers/slats, can be made in this laminated manner to provide both decorative and anti-ballistic features. The layers could be glued together, or bonded in some other manner, such as by heating them to weld them together or stitching them together using a strong thread, as described hereinbelow. A lamination machine that binds the layers using heat can be used.

FIG. 3B shows an example barrier comprised of an anti-ballistic laminate 450 having a plurality of layers of

flexible, anti-ballistic material **455** and a decorative (or structural) top layer **452** that are stitched together using stitching **458**. An embodiment may use any number of layers of anti-ballistic material, which may be a woven cloth material or a thin sheet. For example, such a barrier might use two, or more than two such layers. In a preferred embodiment, 18 layers of level IIIA bullet proof material, such as an antiballistic cloth material or thin sheets of material as discussed above can be stacked into a laminate that can be glued, heat welded, or stitched using a thread, such as nylon, polyester, Kevlar or Dyneema® threads, to secure the layers together. The top (and in some cases bottom as well) decorative layer **452** can be comprised of a decorative cloth or sheet. A binding material or strip can be put around the outer edge of the sheets or slats for decorative purposes or for physical support and further binding. For large sheets of materials, stitching will be provided at periodic intervals (e.g., 0.75 inch spacing).

For example, 18 plies of woven Kevlar fabric such as a 600d Kevlar KM2 Plus, 24×24 square yarns per inch, plain weave construction, polyester stitching yarn, 75 denier textured yarn with a stitch pattern from a linear chain stitch (machine direction), 3.5 gage spacing or 0.75 inch spacing.

Sheets of material of the barriers, or individual slats, may have the individual fabric sheets bound by using a glue or substance around a perimeter of the sheets or a pair of edges to hold the sheets together, but let the layers remain unbound in an interior portion. FIG. 3C shows a side view of an example two-layer laminate **200** with first and second fabric layer **201** having only upper and lower edges **202** bound with an edging material (such as stitching, bonding, edging, etc.) leaving an inner gap **205** formed from the loose material. Of course, any number of layers can be used in the laminate rather than just 2. This approach could be designed to self-destruct in order to better absorb the energy of a projectile.

The laminated material of FIG. 3A or 3B or 3C can be formed into slats to form venetian blind or shutter style barriers, or alternatively into sheets to form solid barriers that can be used in homes or vehicles as discussed herein.

Alternatively, tensylon slats can be used for barriers, such as venetian style blinds. As an alternative, a thin layer of steel as a strike face can be provided on the slats to improve the anti-ballistic properties. Tensylon slats, with or without the steel surface layer, can slide in pockets on the kevlar fabric blinds to add further protection, such as in solid sheets that are rolled up when retracted and unrolled when deployed, as described hereinabove. Such barriers are flexible and lightweight, and could be designed to level 4 protection to stop rifle rounds.

FIG. 4 shows a similar deployable barrier **610** that might be deployed in a vehicle, such as a truck, automobile, train, aircraft, or other vehicle to protect vehicle access points like windows.

In contrast, a fixed barrier might be deployed within the door body panels, or other hollow body locations, that is permanently deployed within the door and attached to the door frame to add anti-ballistic properties to the body of the door. Such a barrier might have the upper portion attached to the door frame but hang freely within the door panels within free space in the door to provide the benefits of such a structure as described herein. The barrier would then absorb the energy of a projectile as described above. Such a barrier could be installed during manufacture of the vehicle, or might be provided as an after-market installation to add

anti-ballistic properties to existing vehicles. Window blinds might also be added at the factory or as an after-market add-on.

For example, the flexible barrier in, say, a 3.5 inch door cavity takes up about ¼ inch to 1 inch of the overall space. The shock wave that goes across the material from the projectile dissipates the energy through and across the whole piece of material rather than just a small area directly around the projectile when the material is affixed to the strike face of the door. The shock wave dissipates the energy more efficiently through the material than would a fixed barrier.

The barriers could be utilized in a configuration similar to that of security shutters, in at least a portion of the shutters could utilized fabric materials to better absorb energy from the projectiles such as bullets. A metallic face of the shutters could be used as a strike face to deform a bullet and then a layer of fabric material in a sheet or slats could be used to fully stop the bullet or shrapnel. Or hollow portions within various slats of the shutter could be filled with the barrier material provided in strips, for example, or filled with an anti-ballistic gel.

FIG. 5 shows an example laminated barrier **250** with laminate **255** having a speaker (or vibrator) **252** attached to vibrate the barrier in order to provide security by preventing monitoring of the barrier (and hence the room) using a device such as a laser vibration monitor. Alternatively, the speaker might be provided at another location, such as in mounting structures. By vibrating the barrier using the speaker, the barrier essentially creates noise that make surveillance of the room more difficult. If an outer stiff layer is used on the laminate, the speaker may be attached to that layer. This approach can also be designed to provide active noise cancellation in that the speaker, rather than just creating noise, is attached to a sound detection system to actively cancel room sounds in the manner done in active sound cancellation systems.

Alternatively, other devices that are actively “listening” to ambient noises or “watching” for activities could be used as sensors to monitor for sounds that indicate a location is under attack for communication to a control system. Sounds such as explosions or gunshots, smoke (and other gunfire or explosive products), breaking glass, explosions, or voice command (e.g., “deploy barrier” or “deploy blinds”), to deploy the barrier or blinds. For example, the Amazon Echo device (or the similar Echo Dot, Echo Show, Echo Plus, Echo Spot, Echo Auto, Fire Devices, among other devices), using the Alexa application (or a related application, such as the Amazon Alexa Guard app), can actively listen to ambient room noise, and could be utilized to monitor for such emergency sounds and then respond by actively deploying the barriers, using Alexa’s automation applications. These devices have Bluetooth connectivity, and connect to such other monitoring devices as video cameras (e.g., Blink), and video doorbells (Ring), etc., which permit active networking of devices to respond in concert to any detected threat by audio, or, when using video devices, by video (such as detecting a person holding a gun or other weapon, etc.).

Alexa can send Smart Alerts, via phone notifications, if an Echo device detects the sound of smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms, commands, or glass breaking. Alexa could automatically control barrier deployment, compatible smart lights to make it look like someone is home, notify authorities, etc. Alexa can also arm a Ring or Blink or ADT security system. This can include integration with other smart devices, such as smart locks, security systems, contact/motion sensors, etc.

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Alexa and similar devices can be provided in multiple rooms and buildings and integrate with other safety systems such as security cameras and fire suppression systems. Alexa could direct children or law enforcement where to go to get away from any threat whether it's an active shooter or a fire. In addition to audio it could give visual clues perhaps color codes for deaf people. Visual clues could be seen from a much further distance. When integrated to blue tooth and WiFi it could alert and direct children on their phone to evade/escape. The system can be used to pinpoint locations of people/children and guide them through smoke or darkness, including through heavy smoke or away from an active shooter, for example.

By using Alexa devices and application in numerous classrooms or offices one can pinpoint the location of the shooter. For example if there is a courtyard with surrounding classrooms, a shooter could be monitored and followed. Or in a residential community with multiple residences or in a city with multiple offices and buildings all the Alexa devices can share information such as gunshot glass breakage smoke heat etc. To help authorities or building systems pinpoint the location of threats to take offensive defensive measures. The system could also change colors and flash so the fire department or police could have visual alerts. These audio or visual alerts could also guide the children or office worker where to go to evade the assailants. By sharing information between multiple integrated systems, problems can be detected and actions can be taken. Lights doors ventilation etc.

Alexa can also be used in utility rooms and data centers for predictive maintenance when heat sound or light than corresponds to various problems. For example a heat exchanger fan motor could be replaced based on the change in sound or temperature. Alexa could also take weather into account to control various systems and predict outages for as simple as replacing lights.

Similar devices such as Google's Home devices (e.g., Home Mini, Big Home Max, Home Hub), Apple HomePod, Harman-Kardon Allure and Invoke, Lenovo Smart Display, Tribby Smart Speaker, Mycroft Mark 1, JBL Link View Smart Speaker, Sonos One, among others, along with the Apple Siri app and the Windows Cortana. Any of these systems and/or applications could be adapted in a similar manner as discussed above with respect to the Alexa devices.

Such systems could also be utilized to deploy burglar defense systems such as disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 10,229,569 filed on Mar. 14, 2014, and incorporated herein by reference, that deploy anti-burglar substances such as pepper spray.

FIG. 6 shows an embodiment of a barrier device **230** having a strong frame **231** around a perimeter that might be made of a metal or non-metallic materials, such as an antiballistic material as disclosed herein. The frame **231** might be solid, or comprised of a chain or rope or twine including anti-ballistic materials as disclosed herein. This frame **230** can be made of woven lightweight anti-ballistic materials as discussed herein, or metallic materials could be used. Such a frame should be strongly attached to a frame or walls or a floor or other part of the building or a strong deploying structure in order to stop large, moving objects such as vehicles or large pieces of shrapnel, thrown objects, objects fired using a mortar or other launching device (e.g., tear gas canisters), etc.

A netting or mesh woven material **232** can be used that is comprised of the strong, light-weight anti-ballistic material disclosed herein, either formed into solid strands or woven as a rope or twine material to form a mesh having any

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desired gauge and gap size between strands. Solid woven materials that are flexible and lightweight can be used.

Reinforcing cables or ropes or chains or bars **233** can be provided entwined or attached to the material **232** to strengthen the overall barrier **230**. These reinforcing structures **233** can be made of woven lightweight anti-ballistic materials as discussed herein, or metallic materials could be used.

Such a barrier can be used in a doorway, hallway, or building vehicle or pedestrian entrance, for example, to stop vehicles, shrapnel, people, etc. from entering the interior of the building.

This barrier **230** might be installed on an interior of a door, garage door, deployable shutter system, over glass, deployable blinds, etc. The barrier **230** might be installed in an interior of such items as well. The barrier **230** might be made sufficiently transparent to be installed over or on windows in either a deployable, or permanent manner. Alternatively, the barrier **230** might be deployed in hallways, entryways, as room dividers, etc., allowing deployment during emergency situations to provide ballistic protection and barriers.

Doorways or other egress/ingress or pathway locations for vehicles or personnel can also be provided that operate in a fast open and fast close embodiment, some of which involve a shutter-like design with slats, rods, or bars that roll up the door into a spiral on a retraction roll that is motorized for quick deployment and retraction. Again a weight can be provided to provide rapid deployment and stability. Rather than, or in addition to, slats, a flexible fabric or other material, such as the anti-ballistic materials described herein, can be utilized for the door. The barrier **230**, which would be made flexible to allow it to roll or fold with the door to retract and deploy, can be provided on an outer or inner surface of such a door, or it can be provided in an interior part of the door in a laminate design (such as disclosed for the related blinds, shutter, or door designs, incorporated herein) where the door is comprised of flexible materials like rubber, woven cloth, plastic or foam sheets, metal slats, etc. Such a door can quickly open and close for fast ingress and egress.

The barrier **230** could be flexible to allow retraction, such as by making the main portion **232** of flexible anti-ballistic sheets or mesh or netting, and making the frame **231** rollable, such as by using a chain, rope, cable, slats, etc. the material **232** would also be flexible to allow retraction and stowage. Or the barrier **230** could be formed into slats or foldable panels.

Fireproof materials can be provided on the door or barrier layer to add fire resistance to the door, and insulation can be added to protect an interior from heat of fire, for example. For example, a silica layer, silica sheet, silica cloth, or other surface treatment could be provided to add fire and heat resistance, as can other materials such as fiberglass, asbestos, etc. An air blower/fan can be provided to blow cooler air from the floor or another source upward over the door to keep it cool in case of a fire situation.

Such a door can be modified to protect against ballistic objects as well, as discussed regarding the disclosed designs, also incorporated herein. Hence, such barriers can be provided in hallways to wall-off portions of interior buildings or protect those interiors from external access, providing barriers against intruders whether on a vehicle or not, and to protect against ballistic projectiles such as bullets or shrapnel from explosions. By providing fire resistance, the barriers can also protect against the spread of fire and its

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resulting heat. The barriers can also protect against explosions and ballistic projectiles like bullets, shrapnel, etc.

As discussed for blind designs above and in the referenced applications, such barriers might automatically deploy upon detection of heat, an explosion, gunfire, or another alarm condition that might be automatically detected or manually activated. Emergency responders also might deploy the systems, as might burglar alarms, fire protection systems, etc.

Other options for use of such barriers in vehicle door panels and other hollow bodies include inflatable bags that can fill with an anti-ballistic gel, sand, balls or other material to provide anti-ballistic protection. Airbag type devices might also be provided that deploy outside of the body panels to protect individuals inside the vehicle, where such airbags might be comprised of anti-ballistic inflatable sheets as discussed herein or filled with anti-ballistic material such as a gel. Such systems may be automatically or manually deployed, or permanently deployed, all of which is discussed herein and in the parent applications for various barrier embodiments.

First, an automated piloting system might be automatically activated upon deployment of the barrier, such as might be found on a land vehicle or aircraft. Alternatively, displays can be used to show the environment external to the protected space.

Such a door barrier can be made sufficiently strong to stop a speeding vehicle. If the door is designed to flex and stretch, it can absorb much of the kinetic energy of moving objects without breaking, protecting an interior space and avoiding penetration by the undesirable object.

Furthermore, existing doors can be outfitted (retrofitted) with an added layer of material as disclosed hereinabove, such as by providing the ropes and/or layers of netting or other forms of the lightweight anti-ballistic material to add additional structure and energy absorption capability to an existing door. In such a situation, the retrofit barrier might be attached to the door using a glue, welding, mechanical fastener, Velcro, or other means of fastening the barrier to an existing door. Such a retrofit would allow the door to continue to be retracted or opened in the original manner.

In particular, a deployable barrier system using any of the above approaches is desired that can stop objects of substantial mass from penetrating the barrier and entering the protected space. Objects of substantial mass on the order of pounds, tens of pounds, hundreds of pounds, and thousands of pounds are contemplated to be protected against. For example, protecting against thrown objects like large rocks, bricks, liquid or solid filled bottles, rockets, missiles, mortar rounds, drones (such as drone vehicles), personnel vehicles of any size or weight, running individuals, battering rams, etc. Barriers that protect against one or more of these types of objects using strong, lightweight anti-ballistic materials is desired.

FIG. 7 shows a projector barrier system **200** having a deployable barrier system **210** and a projection system **220**. The barrier system **210** can be any of a number of barrier systems already proposed, but in this example a drop-down, flexible barrier **214** (such as the flexible laminated barrier discussed above with respect to FIG. 2 and/or in the related applications) is deployed from a mounting and retracting structure **212**. An optional weight **218** is provided to add mass to the system and aid in deployment. The barrier system **210** is provided with a projector screen surface **216** that is treated to operate as a satisfactory projector screen for receiving a projected image from lens **224** of the projector **222**.

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The projector screen surface **216** provided on the barrier **214** is configured in a manner to provide a good image projection. For example, a matte, clean, white, highly reflective surface can be provided to ensure that a strong image is provided on the barrier. This surface **216** may be an additional layer provided on the laminate forming the barrier **214** (which may be made a part of the laminate, or as the outer decorative layer of the laminate), or it may be a surface treatment such as a coating, paint, or other approach.

The projector system **220** can be any of a number of current or future projecting systems, such as miniature projectors that can be mounted on a ceiling, floor, wall, or other mounting structure of the protected space. The projector would project an image that is obtained from one or more cameras (video) that are mounted in a position to maintain a view of at least a portion of the environment that is outside of the protected space. For example, the camera system could be mounted to show a view outside a window that is protected by the barrier, in a manner that projects what would be seen through the window if the barrier were not deployed. The projector system might also display images obtained from a remote system.

The projector can also provide additional information that can be gathered from various sources, such as sensor readings showing various external conditions. For example, motion detector results, temperature readings, infrared images, weather reports, news and/or police reports, etc. can all be added to the projection.

If the projector barrier system is protecting an occupant of a vehicle, for example, the projector might also project information such as surrounding images (e.g., back, side, front, overhead, all displayed on a barrier covering a windshield), speeds, weather, traffic information, escape routes and other directions, maps, etc.). If the barrier is provided in an aircraft, flight instruments readings can be displayed. On a boat, marine conditions might be displayed. In essence, any information that is of use to the occupant can be integrated into the image that is displayed on the "screen" of the barrier.

Note that for some embodiments, multiple projectors might be used for different windows that might be protected, or a multi-lens projector could be used. The projector might be movable, such as rotatable, for example. It might be removable, or might be integrated with another device, such as a cell phone, GPS navigation system, etc.

FIG. 8 shows an alternative embodiment, where a display barrier system **500** is provided with a barrier system **510** and an integrated display **516** integrated with the deployable barrier system **510** to provide the display material, such as described above for the projector system. The barrier system **510** can be any of a number of barrier systems already proposed, but in this example a drop-down barrier **514** (such as the flexible laminated barrier discussed hereinabove and/or in the related applications) is deployed from a mounting and retracting structure **512**. An optional weight **518** is provided to add mass to the system and aid in deployment. The barrier system **510** is provided with an integrated display **516** which may be a flexible LCD screen that is laminated or otherwise mounted on the barrier **514** and which can be "rolled up" with the barrier **514** for retraction within the structure **512**. This display **516** is sufficiently flexible to retract with the barrier **514** into the mounting and retracting structure **512**, which would include the display electronics to drive the display **516**.

This system of FIG. 8 can display any of the information described above for the projection system, but provides the added benefit of not needing an external projector to be

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installed, and also provides the other benefits of a self-contained display. Where necessary, this display may have backlights or externally projected lights to support the displayed image. Alternatively, other technologies other than typical LCD displays might be used, such as organic LED, traditional LED, plasma phosphors, or other display technologies can be utilized with their respective benefits.

Another alternative is to use a separate display for showing the external environment. Such a display might be added to the protected space, or it might already be present, such as on a navigation or other video system (such as a backup video system on a land vehicle, or a heads-up display on an aircraft).

Any of these embodiments of a deployable barrier with display capability could be used in any of the applications disclosed herein or in the related applications.

FIG. 9. Illustrates an example of a control system which may be used by any of the embodiments described herein to control the barrier system 5. The control system can include a controller 15 with one or more sensors that form a sensor array 12 connected to the controller 15, and a panic switch 20 connected to the controller 15. The sensors may be pre-existing sensors in a home defense system or conventional after-market sensors capable of detecting ballistic signals such as sound (e.g., gun shots or breaking glass), gun powder, gun impact, muzzle flash, temperature, and the like. The sensors could be any of those typically used to detect a break in, for example. The controller 15 is connected to a user interface 30 whereby a user may activate and apply settings to the barrier system. The controller 15 is also connected to a motor system 10 for actuating the barrier system upon receiving information indicating that a threat is present and that the barrier should be deployed (i.e., put into a protective state such as a ballistic protection mode).

Where a building may already have a central control system (e.g., a security or other alarm system), controller 15 may utilize such a system by adding additional customized code for operating the barrier system 5. In another example, the barrier system could also utilize ground sourced radar, infrared (heat), sonar, or some other active or passive detection system. The sensor array 12 can include one or more heat sensors, infrared sensors, video sensors, audio sensors, smoke detectors, or other types of sensors, or may utilize already existing sensors of a fire or burglar system, for example. Any of the sensors in the sensor array 12, the panic switch 20 or the user interface 30, or any combination of these components, may be connected to the controller 15 in a wireless manner, such as by WiFi or Bluetooth, for example, and the panic switch and/or user interface could be implemented on a cell phone or tablet computer, for example.

The system or any of its components may be controlled by any external or internal system, such as one that may exist prior to the installation of the barrier(s). For example, the barrier system could be tied to an external system such as an alarm system or video cameras with analytics. The barrier system could also be controlled remotely via the internet or a WiFi or Bluetooth connection by any connected device such as a tablet, computer, PDA, or a smartphone. Barriers such as disclosed herein would be very useful in a panic situation in a school or federal building. Such barriers could also be used in a lock down situation to prevent people or valuables from leaving the premises, for example. FIG. 9, described below, shows an example embodiment of a remotely controllable system.

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The barriers could be retrofitted to an existing building or other structure, and adapted to tap into existing security or burglar alarm systems, for example, or they could be added during structure construction.

The barriers could also be adapted to sense the location of the occupants of the building and close by according to predetermined parameters such as direction of threat and the location inside the building that would be the best to return fire from. barriers could also be controlled by facial recognition, video analytics, or by the occupants' voice or any other suitable biometrics, such as for recognizing an threatening person, such as an ex-spouse, or ex-employee who has made threats or acted in a threatening manner, or otherwise recognizing a wanted criminal or an enemy soldier, for example. When the barrier system 5 is activated, the barrier may deploy as discussed above so as to deflect bullets, shells, or other ballistic weapons to prevent a fatal impact and/or property damage. Such barriers can protect from thrown objects as well, such as rocks, grenades, bricks, molotov cocktails, etc. Barriers could be controlled individually or together with a timing mechanism.

The barriers could be configured to protect against remote monitoring of sound and conversation, such as by providing random vibrations to the barrier to avoid vibration detection by remote monitoring devices, for example.

As an example use, the barrier system may be provided in an open state where the barriers are provided in a retracted condition to allow viewing or travel through the barriers, or the barriers in a retracted position. The barrier system sensor array would detect a potential intruder or the sound of gunfire using visual, auditory, or other sensed information. The system would then automatically enter a protective state, such as by deploying the barrier (by lowering it to protect a space), or both, to protect the interior of the room from external entry of projectiles (e.g., bullets), for example. Or the system may detect the entry of a ballistic projectile (e.g., a bullet, rock, etc.), or threatening shouts or yells, sirens, explosions, proximity of threatening individuals, etc., in which case the barrier would be activated into a protective mode.

Many other example embodiments can be provided through various combinations of the above described features. Although the embodiments described hereinabove use specific examples and alternatives, it will be understood by those skilled in the art that various additional alternatives may be used and equivalents may be substituted for elements and/or steps described herein, without necessarily deviating from the intended scope of the application. Modifications may be necessary to adapt the embodiments to a particular situation or to particular needs without departing from the intended scope of the application. It is intended that the application not be limited to the particular example implementations and example embodiments described herein, but that the claims be given their broadest reasonable interpretation to cover all novel and non-obvious embodiments, literal or equivalent, disclosed or not, covered thereby.

What is claimed is:

1. A deployable barrier door for installation in a doorway for protecting a space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects of substantial mass using the deployable barrier door, comprising:

a mounting structure configured for storing the deployable barrier door in a retracted position, said mounting structure configured for installing in a door frame of the doorway;

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the deployable barrier door comprising a plurality of sheets of flexible anti-ballistic material formed into a laminate forming at least one layer of said deployable barrier door;

a structure for securing the sides and/or bottom of the deployable barrier door to secure said deployable barrier door in a deployed position closing said doorway; and

a deployment mechanism configured to drop the deployable barrier door into the deployed position to close said doorway such that the deployable barrier door protects the space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects having substantial kinetic energy, wherein said deployable barrier door in the deployed position is configured to flex and move in response to impact from the kinetic object to absorb energy from the kinetic object to further protect said space from access by the kinetic object, and wherein said deployment mechanism is also configured to retract said deployable barrier door to open said doorway for access through said doorway.

2. The system of claim 1, further comprising:

a sensing system for detecting threat data indicating a kinetic object threat exists; and

a control system configured to receive said threat data from said sensing system, said control system operably configured to trigger said deployment mechanism to automatically deploy said deployable barrier door into the deployed position based on the received threat data.

3. The system according to claim 1, wherein automatically deploy said deployable barrier door into the deployed position includes activating or deactivating an electromagnet.

4. The system according to claim 1, wherein said flexible anti-ballistic material includes a synthetic fiber of high tensile strength.

5. The system according to claim 1, wherein said flexible anti-ballistic material includes a fabric treated with boron.

6. The system according to claim 1, wherein said flexible anti-ballistic material includes an ultrahigh molecular weight polyethylene.

7. The system according to claim 1, wherein said flexible anti-ballistic material includes a transparent polycarbonate of high impact strength.

8. The system according to claim 1, wherein said laminate is attached to an existing deployable barrier door, and wherein said deployment mechanism is part of an existing door.

9. The system according to claim 1, wherein said deployable barrier door is configured to be installed in a door frame designed for passage of a vehicle, and wherein said kinetic objects include a moving motorized vehicle.

10. The system according to claim 1, further comprising:

a sensing system for detecting threat data indicating a threat exists; and

a control system configured to receive said threat data from said sensing system, said control system operably configured to trigger said deployment mechanism to automatically deploy said deployable barrier door in a manner that secures sides and/or a bottom of said deployable barrier door to a wall and/or a floor, respectively.

11. The system according to claim 10, wherein said deployable barrier door is secured to the wall and/or the floor using a magnet and/or electromagnet.

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12. The system according to claim 10, wherein said deployable barrier door is secured to the floor using a latching mechanism.

13. The system according to claim 1, wherein deploying the deployable barrier door into the deployed position is activated by a security system.

14. The system according to claim 1, wherein said flexible anti-ballistic material comprises a laminate including more than two layers of flexible anti-ballistic material.

15. The system according to claim 14, wherein the layers of said anti-ballistic laminate are secured together by stitching.

16. The system of claim 10, wherein said kinetic object is a moving motorized vehicle.

17. A deployable barrier door for installation in a doorway for protecting a space from entry by ballistic projectiles having high kinetic energy and also from prohibited kinetic objects of substantial mass using the deployable barrier door, comprising:

a mounting structure configured for storing the deployable barrier in a retracted position, said mounting structure configured for installing in a door frame of the doorway;

the deployable barrier comprising a plurality of sheets of flexible anti-ballistic material formed into a laminate, wherein said deployable barrier door is configured to flex and move in response to impact from the ballistic projectile to absorb energy from the ballistic projectile to further protect said space from access by the ballistic object, wherein said ballistic projectile includes shrapnel and/or a bullet;

a structure for securing the sides and/or bottom of the deployable barrier to secure said deployable barrier in a deployed position while permitting said deployable barrier door to flex and move; and

a deployment mechanism configured to drop the deployable barrier door into the deployed position to close said doorway such that the deployable barrier door protects the space from entry by prohibited kinetic objects having substantial kinetic energy, said kinetic object including a moving motorized vehicle.

18. A system for protecting a space from entry by a moving motorized vehicle using a deployable barrier, comprising:

a mounting structure configured for storing the deployable barrier in a retracted position;

the deployable barrier comprising a plurality of sheets of flexible anti-ballistic material formed into a laminate, wherein said barrier is configured to flex and move in response to impact from the moving vehicle to absorb energy from the kinetic object to further protect said space from access by the vehicle;

a structure for securing the sides and/or bottom of the deployable barrier to secure said deployable barrier in a deployed position; and

a deployment mechanism configured to drop the deployable barrier into the deployed position such that the barrier protects the space from entry by the moving motorized vehicle.

19. The system of claim 1 wherein said kinetic object is shrapnel and/or a bullet.